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Lt. General James C. Sherrill, USAF Commander-in-Chief Alaskan Command APO Seattle 98742

Dear General Sherrill:

Thank you very much for giving me Brian Garfield's The One Thousand Mile War. I read it on the plane coming home and found it extremely interesting. That was a very rough fight (or series of fights) in a brutal climate. The Aleutian battles never received their just share of recognition but success there was one of the essential keys to Japan's ultimate defeat. Also, had these battles not been won, the overall fight against Japan might have had a very different outcome.

I was delighted to have a chance to meet you during my visit to CINCPAC and greatly enjoyed not only your company but the information about Alaska and the problems there involved which you so genially related over appropriate potations. I hope your session at CINCPAC was successful and that at least some of the golf balls went in the proper direction or into the proper holes.

When you next come to Washington, please give me a call. My colleagues and I would be delighted to have you out to the Agency as our guest for lunch.

Sincerely yours,

George A. Carver, Jr. Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs STAT